GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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Quota for Soldiers
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the soldiers have a ticket reservation quota in the Railways and whether this facility is available in all the trains and classes;

(b) if so, the basis on which the said quota is fixed;

(c) whether the Railways proposes to formulate any scheme of providing seat reservation to the military personnel deployed in the remote areas for their private/official journey as per the demand; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the difficulty being faced in formulating any such plan?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (d): The extent of reservation quota to be earmarked under Defence Department Quota(DDQ) is decided by Zonal Railway concerned on request of Ministry of Defence depending upon demand pattern and availability of accommodation. The quota so earmarked is reviewed on periodical basis and adjustments made wherever required. During the period from 01.04.2015 to 31.03.2016, 1742031 berths/seats were earmarked under DDQ which were utilised to the extent of 49.5%.
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